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PATENT

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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COIN
OR OBJECT SENSING USING ADAPTIVE
OPERATING POINT CONTROL**

EXAMINER: Unknown

ART UNIT: Unknown

Power of Attorney by Assignee and Certification
Under 37 CFR §3.73(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I, the undersigned, acting on behalf of the Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the above-identified patent application, appoint the attorneys and agents listed below to prosecute this application and transact all business with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith. This appointment is to the exclusion of the inventor(s) and their attorney(s) and agent(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 3.71.

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In accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b), I hereby certify that I am empowered to act on behalf of the Assignee. To the best of my knowledge and belief, title is in the Assignee, as evidenced by the Assignment noted above.

I further declare that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, USC §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the this application or any patent resulting therefrom.

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DECLARATION

As the below-named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below under my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COIN OR OBJECT SENSING USING ADAPTIVE OPERATING POINT CONTROL" in the foregoing specification and claims, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application filed September 21, 2001 and entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COIN SENSING USING ADAPTIVE OPERATING POINT CONTROL".

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above. I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application.

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